

## COLTS PROMISE TO KNOCK 'EM OUT

"Sandy" Will Be There With His Pair of Oil-Soaked Bats.

LOOK OUT, MR. WAGNER

Light Practice Was Indulged in Yesterday—"Smiling Dutch" Warming Up

The Champion Colts put in four hours of somewhat strenuous practice at Broad Street Park yesterday, and the players worked with a will. The performance of all of the men, and more especially that of the new recruits, was closely watched by the fans, who gathered for both the morning and afternoon sessions.

More attention was given to fielding yesterday than on the first day, and the gardeners and infielders were given plenty of work. Harry Black and Smith, the new outfielders, again showed up to good advantage. Both are fast, and they can swing the ball some.

**Show Up Well.**  
Eddie Wright, the Detroit youngster, did some fast work at second base. His scoops in grounders with an ease that brings joy to the hearts of the faithful who gather to see the fun. Powers, the big flinger from Indiana, did some tall fielding in the left plot during the afternoon. Muir was given a chance to job a few over for the others to see to all corners of the lot. Watson worked in center field some and also did a little throwing.

Lipe and Sandherr worked pretty hard in the infield and fielded with their oldtime ease and accuracy. The general manager set the blood of the fans a-jumping by swinging in a few bunts like a racing automobile. For the present all of the men are merely tossing the ball around for the stiffness has not yet worked out of their arms.

**"Dutch" Opens Up.**  
"Dutch" Revelle tossed a bit to the batsmen and he opened up on one or two occasions. His throwing wing seems to be in great shape. Walker, the Danville acquisition, and Bussey also had a chance at pitching.

Burke, the new catcher from Chicago, was out with the squad yesterday. He is a husky built youngster and handles himself well. Klefel, the backstop who comes from Cincinnati, is a hard hitter and seems to have plenty of speed.

**Handsome Guy Titman** romped around the right guard and he shows that he has lost none of his speed. He hit out some smashing drives, too, and the fans are depending on him to make good with the willow this year. "Sandy" was there with his oil-soaked bats and he pounded a few where they would not be in a game. Manager Lipe swatted out some beauties and Smith insisted on landing them in the left field bleachers.

**Expect to Hit.**  
Of course you can't sometimes always generally tell about this waiting in practice, but the 1909 Colts promise to hold their own with the stick. "Sandy" says nothing below the 300 notch will suit him and there are others who have their eye on the Hans Wagner average. Here's hoping they will knock the cover off the ball every day.

With Burke in camp, the receiving department is in good shape for the game with Richmond College Saturday afternoon at 3:30. The college lads are hard at work every afternoon on the campus and they hope to make the big boys hustle when his unps sounds the gladsome cry.

## LITTLE FRENCHMAN IS QUITE A FACTOR

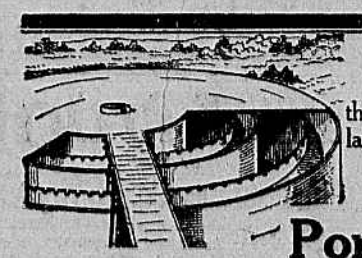
Considered One Who Must Be Reckoned With in Marathon Derby.

NEW YORK, March 24.—Henri St. Yves, the little French runner who came to this country last week to run in the \$10,000 Marathon Derby at the Polo Grounds on April 2, is looming up as a dangerous factor in the event if the opinion of such a good judge as Al Copland counts for anything. St. Yves came here with a reputation of the highest order, made in England and France in the last few months, and Copland says his work bears out the most favorable accounts of his races.

Copland is in charge of the track team at Princeton University, and as soon as the Frenchman landed he took him there, so as to supervise personally his every movement. The students are enthusiastic over his first trial, in which he covered ten miles, going easily in 57 minutes 36 seconds.

Within the next four days or so the six starters in the race will all be on the grounds or in the near vicinity of New York. Longboat will arrive here Saturday or Sunday in charge of Mike Flanagan and Tim O'Rourke and will train in Jerome Avenue. Shrubbs will reach the city from Canada on Monday, and will be at Montclair, N. J. Hayes is now in the city and will train with Owen Moran, the fighter, and will be joined in a couple of days by his trainer, Emory Hertzberg. Maloney is doing his preliminary work at the Hollywood Inn in Yonkers, and Dorando is confining himself to outdoor work and is the centre of attraction every morning at Macomb's Dam Park. The demand for tickets is so large that they will be placed on sale on Friday morning.

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## Three Youngsters With Philadelphia Athletics



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## HORSEMEN ARE ANXIOUS ABOUT THE RACING SEASON ON NEW YORK TRACK

### VIRGINIA NAMES NEFF HEAD COACH

Popular Player Will Have Making of Next Season's Football Team.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 24.—The General Athletic Association of the University of Virginia to-day announced the selection of John H. Neff as head coach of Virginia's football team for the season of 1909.

The selection of Neff gives universal satisfaction among the members of the football squad, as well as the student body. In his four consecutive years of football at the university Neff has gained an enviable reputation in all that pertains to football, as well as in every sphere of college activity. In the opinion of Hammond Johnson, he ranks among the best backfield men Virginia has turned out in recent years.

Neff, who is a native of Harrisonburg, entered the university at the age of sixteen, he did not attempt the strenuous game the first season, being occupied with a B. A. course. After two years in the college, he jumped into the line, and in 1905 with a B. A. degree, the presidency of the academic class and a "V" for football in one year. Since that time the sun of his success has never been clouded. At the end of his sixth year at Virginia, twenty-two years of age, he is a third-year "med." with an unimpeachable record behind him as a scholar, a gentleman and an athlete.

Equal to his unqualified success in every other line is his record on the gridiron. For four years he has played a consistently fast, clean, strong game, both on offense and defense, establishing in that time a widespread reputation as a gentlemanly, sportsmanlike, manly man—the highest type of the American athlete. As captain of the team of 1908 he demonstrated those qualities of leadership and power which inspire the implicit confidence of men, and which are so essential to success as captain or coach.

As a coach—the head coach of the alumni coach system—his success is assured. He knows the game straight through, and what is even more important, he possesses the power of cooperation and the confidence of his men. Coupled with these, his clear head, good generalship and his attractive personality make it certain that he will get the very best results possible from the squad which is to represent Virginia in the football arena next fall.

### THREE FORMER VIRGINIA TWINKLES WITH WHEELING

Three former Virginia League pitchers are on the staff of Wheeling, the team of the Central League this season. They are Oley, who was with Roanoke last year; Reles, who was with Lynchburg the first year of the league, and Still, who formerly was with Richmond. The Central is a class B league.

### BASKETBALL CONTESTS.

Season Will Close With Championship Games Next Week.

In the basketball contests between the teams of the boys' class of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon the Danies won easily from the Roses by the score of 13 to 3, while the second game between the Lilies and Pansies went to the former 10 to 7.

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Jockey Club Has Not Yet Announced Dates Nor Stakes and Purse.

PLAYING A WAITING GAME

Courts Must Pass on Number of Cases Before Situation Is Cleared Up.

NEW YORK, March 24.—Horsemen were out in large numbers at the Gravesend and Sheepshead Bay race-tracks yesterday, where they took advantage of the bracing weather to send their thoroughbreds galloping and cantering along at a lively clip. Incidentally a group of them took occasion to discuss the racing situation under Jockey Club rule in the State of New York at length. A trainer who arrived here the other day from California, and consequently was in search of information, opened the discussion by asking the handler of a noted racing stud:

"Why doesn't the Jockey Club announce dates and why don't the track owners make public a list of stakes and purses when the usual opening of the metropolitan season is a trifle more than three weeks off?"

"It is a mystery to me," replied the other, "unless the track people are going to show the white feather and will simply remain closed under the 'former' fire. I am tired of guessing as to the future of racing here, so I don't care what happens."

"I've got a pretty fair line on the situation, I think," exclaimed the owner of several good players who has been here all winter, "and I don't mind telling it to you. The turf governors are playing a waiting game. They want to have the courts pass on several important points regarding the right of individuals to make and record private wagers before they are ready to sanction dates and meetings at the different tracks. As far as the rulings of the courts have gone it is legal to make oral or cash wagers and to accept the same just so long as men known as bookmakers do not record the transactions. But there are several cases pending which, if decided upon favorably, will permit a form of private speculation, but will still prohibit the old bookmaking methods of open gambling. The track owners also want to get slowly because they've got a tip that the former owners of private speculation will form at Albany which would make all forms of betting, oral or in cash, illegal if it should become a law. In other words, the racing people are waiting until they feel that they can operate without fear of more interference by the lawmakers."

"There isn't a chance for any more anti-race-track legislation at Albany," replied a well known politician, who is a portion of the grandstand at the track, "it is already realized that the passage of the Agnew-Hart law was a hardship for a great many people, and that it has nearly killed racing in this country."

"The legislators think that enough harm has been done, and will not consider seriously any more anti-race-track bills. If there can be modified speculation at the tracks I know that there will be no further attempt to check it completely. That is why I think the Jockey Club stewards have nothing to fear if they announce their dates and stakes and decide to open the local season, as usual, on or about April 15. To postpone the opening until later or until after the Legislature adjourns would be taken to mean that the race tracks are weak in their fight for existence, and do not care to take issue with the enemies of the sport. If the track owners will follow the old schedule and will allow many things at present shrouded in doubt to right themselves, I believe that the horizon will soon be cleared. There are plenty of horses to race, and their owners will be only too glad to start them for moderate purses, as far as the betting end of the game is concerned, I think that so long as there's no open gambling under organized methods in the betting rings the authorities will not interfere with oral or private speculation."

It is a point worth remembering that, in spite of the fact that last year, after the Agnew-Hart law went into effect, more than 300 alleged bookmakers and gamblers were arrested in various counties charged with violation of the new statute, and that many of them were also indicted, not a single case has so far resulted in a conviction. In fact, I am told that there is no evidence upon which convictions can be secured. In every case involving the interpretation of the law which has been passed upon in the lower courts and by the appellate division the race track people have been successful. Taking all this into consideration, therefore, I cannot believe that it is good policy for the Jockey Club stewards and the track owners to keep

### YOUNG TAFT FAILS TO MAKE THE CREW

Yale's Rowing Squad Is Cut, and President's Son Is Let Out.

NEW HAVEN, March 24.—Yale's rowing squad was cut from sixty to twenty-four men to-day, the last reduction that will be made before it goes to New London in June. The three crews will be kept. The first eight, as picked to-day, is the combination which goes next week to row the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia. It is as follows: Stroke, Howe; No. 7, Miller; No. 6, Hyde; No. 5, Wadell; No. 4, Wallace; No. 3, Brainard; No. 2, Glenn; bow, Rice, and coxswain, Cass.

Robert Taft, son of the President, remained on the rowing squad until to-day. He is not a member of any of the three eights kept in training.

### WILLIAM AND MARY WON.

Defeated Woodberry Forest in Clean Game by Score of 8 to 3.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WOODBERRY, VA., March 24.—William and Mary defeated Woodberry Forest yesterday by a score of 8 to 3. William and Mary fielded splendidly, and their boys were opportunely. William and Mary play at University of Virginia tomorrow.

### RACE MEET POSTPONED.

Portion of Grandstand at Jacksonville Fair Grounds Collapsed.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., March 24.—Because of an accident which resulted in a portion of the grandstand collapsing, the opening of the Florida Fair race meet here has been postponed until Saturday, March 27.

Their plans under cover when there is every reason to feel that racing can live if it is conducted on an economical basis.

"If the track owners will limit the value of the added money in all stakes and purses to \$500," remarked another prominent turfman who had been listening, "and then abolish the free badge list, making everybody—even jockeys, stable boys and trainers—pay to get through the gates, I think the sport could be kept alive, if not gradually built up. The owners have got to make as many sacrifices this year as the race-track stockholders if the game is to be revived. You can figure it out that if the added money in six races amounts to \$3,000 a day and the other expenses amount to \$1,000 more, it will require an average paid attendance of 1,500 persons at \$3 each to break even, and just as soon as people know that they can go to the track and bet without being arrested or searched you'll find that these attendance figures will be exceeded. There's nothing like taking a chance, and that is what the Jockey Club and the track owners should do without further delay if they want to retain the confidence of the horsemen and the public."

Racing in this State cannot begin before April 15, and it must end November 15. Many horsemen who expect to operate here say they hope the season will open on the first legal date even if the campaign must be brought to a close on October 1. It is generally understood that all of the track owners are ready to resume business, even though they stand ready to lose money. The Jockey Club stewards are not saying a word, but it is certain that they are doing a lot of thinking and planning just now.

## RECORDS SMASHED AT DAYTONA BEACH

Fast Course and Large Attendance Marked the Second Day.

BICYCLES AND AUTOMOBILES

Conditions Were All Favorable, and Some Remarkable Time Was Made.

DAYTONA, FLA., March 24.—A fast course, large attendance, a stiff Southern breeze blowing up the course and the shattering of world's records in the automobile, motorcycle and bicycle events characterized the second day's Daytona Beach tournament on the fastest automobile course in the world.

The first event was a half-mile dash bicycle race with a flying start, in which there were ten starters. The riders got away in classic style, and stayed well bunched. Fogler, who was slightly behind, by a sprint attained the lead, and won by a half-length in 47.1-2, followed by Mitten and Rose. The next event followed with a five-mile motorcycle record trial. Chappelle covered the distance in 3:52, followed by Walter Goerke, who went the five miles in the remarkable time of 3:20 1-5, establishing a new world's record. Stubbs's time was 3:33, and Gaestel's 4:28.

### Breaks World's Record.

The next event was the first heat in the invitation race for five miles, in which Robertson, De Palma and Fitzpatrick were entered. Fitzpatrick, however, suffered engine trouble with his Red Devil, and was forced to retire from participation in the race. Both drivers got away on the scratch with a flying start, the huge Benz, with Robertson at the wheel, gradually drawing away from the Fiat, a Fiat cyclone, with Ralph De Palma at the wheel, and hurling the car across the line in the phenomenal time of 2:45 1-5, and breaking the world's record for five miles held by Lawrence in a 100-horse power Fiat, of 2:54 3-5, made on this course in 1906, and also the steam record of 2:47 1-5, made by Fred Marriott in the same year.

The five-mile Southern price and horse money handicap event came next, in which five cars started out of the seven entered.

Gustus Groegan, in a Pope-Hartford, won; James McLaughlin the third, in a Cleveland; second; George Robertson, in a Locomobile; Herbert Lyttle, Cadillac; fourth; Myers, Buick; fifth. The electric timing apparatus became disconnected, and no time was taken.

The sixth event on the program was a ten-mile motor-cycle race, not exceeding sixty-one cubic inches displacement. The race was made five miles down the course and return. Chappelle won the event in 8:57; Goerke, second, time 10 12 4-5. Wray, third, time 13 3-5.

### Wonderful Time.

The next event was a ten-mile race for automobiles. Bruce Brown, the amateur, at the wheel of the Benz car, and Ralph De Palma, driving a Fiat Cyclone, entered by one of the most magnificent, sensation and thrilling races ever witnessed, the great Benz rolled down the course and over the wire in the wonderful time of 5:14 2-5, followed closely by De Palma, in 5:29 4-5.

The next event was a two-mile bicycle open race. Fogler won the event in the time of 2:45 1-5, lowering the two-mile straight record.

The next event was a piston displacement class race, which was originally intended to be for a distance of 100 miles, and reduced to sixty miles, but it was a mix-up affair, some cars running for 100 miles, and the Fiat Cyclone for 120 miles. In the summary below is given the winners and their times.

Half mile professional bicycle event, rolling start—First, Joseph A. Gogier, Brooklyn; time, 47 1-5 seconds; second, W. L. Mitten, Davenport, Iowa; third, E. F. Root, Boston; fourth, Saxon Williams, Salt Lake City, Utah.

### One-mile motorcycle time trials:

Oscar Hedstrom, Springfield, Mass., ten-horse power two-cylinder Indian, 44 3-5 seconds.

Five-mile motorcycle time trials: Walter Goerke, Brooklyn, first, time, 3:30 1-5; second, Robert Stubbs, Birmingham, Ala., time, 3:33; third, A. G. Chappelle, New York, time, 3:52; fourth, Eugene Gaestel, time, 4:28.

Five-mile invitation automobile race—First, George Robertson, Benz, time, 2:45 1-5 seconds; Ralph De Palma, Fiat Cyclone.

Five-mile Southern championship—First, Pope-Hartford, Gus Groegan; second, Cleveland, James Laughlin; third, Locomobile, George Robertson; fourth, Cadillac, Herbert Lyttle; fifth, Buick, F. B. Myers; no time taken.

Ten-mile amateur motorcycle record trials, sixty-one cubic inches, piston displacement—First, A. G. Chappelle, time, 8:57; second, Walter Goerke, time, 10:24 4-5; third, William Wray, time, 13 3-5.

Two-mile invitation race—First, Benz, David Bruce Brown, time, 5:14 2-5; second, Fiat Cyclone, Ralph De Palma, time, 5:29 4-5.

Two-mile bicycle race—First, J. A. Fogler, time, 2:45 1-5; second, E. F. Root; third, W. L. Mitten.

100-mile piston displacement race—



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First lap, twenty miles—Flat Cyclone, Ralph De Palma, time 17:35; Buick, Burman, 21:10; Buick, Strang, 21:23; Cleveland, McLaughlin III., 21:27; Cadillac, Lyttle, 22:29; Buick, Dewitt, 30:31.

Second lap, forty miles—Flat, time, 32:55; Buick, Burman, 33; Buick, Strang, 33:03; Buick, Dewitt, 40:09; Buick, Myers, 52:12; Cadillac, 53:04 1-5; Cleveland, 63:53.

Third lap, sixty miles—Flat, De Palma, time 48:23 3-5; Buick, Strang, 55:54 3-4; Buick, Dewitt, 55:59 1-5; Buick, Myers, 86:10 2-5; Cleveland, 88:36 1-5; Cadillac, 92:07.

Fourth lap, eighty miles—Flat, 62:36 1-5; Buick, Strang, 73:05 4-5; Buick, Dewitt, 78:31 2-5.

Fifth lap, 100 miles—Flat, 76:55; Buick, Strang, 90:34; Buick, Dewitt, 99:27 4-5.

Sixth lap, 120 miles—Ralph De Palma, driving the Fiat Cyclone, kept on the track, the 120 miles in 93:14 3-5 seconds.

### Open for Challenges.

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